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Mr. Bennett Cerf, President
Random House, Inc.
457 Madison Avenue
New York 22, New York

Dear Mr. Cerf:

Many thanks for your letter of January 17.
I greatly enjoyed talking to you at the Printing Week Dinner.
I hope that this letter finds you completely over your cold.

It is indeed a pleasure for me to send you a
copy of my address, as you requested. It is not nearly as
interesting and amusing as yours. I did lighten it up a bit
in delivery by a few "asides".

I join you in the wish that we will meet again
soon.

Sincerely,

SIGNED

Allen W. Dulles
Director

Enclosure

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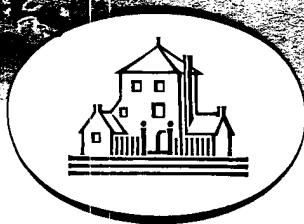
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January 17, 1961

Mr. Allen Dulles
c/o C.I.A.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Allen Dulles:

I hope you will forgive me for running out of the Commodore Ballroom last night just after you started speaking. The fact is that I am suffering from a bad cold and had a coughing fit a few minutes after I stopped speaking myself. As is usually the case, the more I tried to stop coughing, the worse it became, so I ran out for fear that people would hear me coughing over the radio.

I enjoyed seeing you very much, and would dearly love to hear what you had to say. If you have a copy of your speech, I hope you will have one of your assistants send it to me.

And I do hope that we'll meet very soon again.

Cordially,

Bennett Cerf

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